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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: KENYAN SECURITY CONCERNS

REF: NAIROBI 8130

1. EMBASSY REPLY TO GOK MINDEF OFFICIAL KIEREINI'S INFORMAL EXPOSITION OF KENYA'S SECURITY CONCERNS WAS CORRECT. WHILE WE UNDERSTAND GOK CONCERN RE POSSIBLE NEW "TWO-FRONT" SITUATION DUE TO UNPREDICTABLE UGANDAN REGIME AND POSSIBLE INCREASED SOVIET DELIVERIES OF ARMS THERE, IN ADDITION TO CONTINUING GOK WORRIES OVER SOMALI CAPABILITIES, LIMITS ON OUR SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WOULD PROHIBIT US FROM  
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RESPONDING TO ANY GOK REQUEST FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE. THEREFORE, IT IS IN USG INTEREST TO FORESTALL A FORMAL GOK REQUEST TO WHICH WE COULD NOT RESPOND FAVORABLY, DESPITE OUR INTEREST IN KENYA'S STABILITY AND SECURITY.

2. FYI: GOK NOT NOW ELIGIBLE FOR GOVT TO GOVT FOREIGN MILITARY SALES OR MAP GRANTS. THERE NO POSSIBILITY OF MAP GRANTS. EMBASSY SHOULD KNOW, HOWEVER, THAT EVEN BEFORE RECEIPT REFTEL, WE BEGAN EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF A PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION (PD) TO AUTHORIZE CASH SALE UNDER FMS PROCEDURES OF US MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO GOK AND A SMALL NUMBER OF OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES PRESENTLY NOT ELIGIBLE FOR SUCH SALES. ADVANTAGES OF THIS FOR GOK WOULD BE:

(A) ACCESS TO MILITARY EQUIPMENT NOT AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY IN US; AND (B) BUILT IN QUALITY CONTROLS AS ITEMS SOLD UNDER FMS MUST MEET DOD STANDARDS. END FYI.

3. WE WILL DISCUSS MATTER FURTHER WITH AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE MARSHALL WHEN HE ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON AND KEEP YOU INFORMED OF PROGRESS BOTH OF THESE DISCUSSIONS AND OF PD.

4. TO ASSIST IN OUR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF MATTER WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON WHETHER GOK WOULD IN FIRST INSTANCE TURN TO BRITISH FOR SUPPLEMENTARY EQUIPMENT AND WHETHER WE MIGHT PLAY USEFUL ROLE IN INFORMALLY ENCOURAGING BRITISH TO BE RESPONSIVE, EITHER THROUGH CONTACT WITH THEM IN NAIROBI OR LONDON.

5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S CONTINUING TO REPORT ANY INDICATIONS OF INCREASED SOVIET SUPPLY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO UGANDA.

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